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No. 8 — An Annotated Checklist And Key To The Anoline Lizards of Cuba

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INTRODUCTION

In two recent publications (Ruibal and Williams, 1961a, b) the systematics of eight of the Cuban species of the iguanid lizard genus Anolis were reviewed in detail. These papers represent the first thorough revision of any of the Cuban anoles since Barbour and Ramsden's "Herpetology of Cuba" published in 1919. The present paper is an attempt to bring up to date our knowledge of the other species of Cuban anoles. In this article no detailed presentation of the morphology and variation of the species will be attempted, but rather a listing of the species with a practical morphological definition, a summary of the distribution, and some indication of the ecology of the various forms. Since Barbour and Ramsden's publication, only three valid new species of Cuban Anolis have been described. There has, nevertheless, always existed a certain taxonomic vagueness and biological ignorance about many of the Cuban anoline lizards. This is due in part to Barbour's careless taxonomy and in part to the relatively little herpetological collecting that was done in Cuba until very recently.

A total of twenty-two species of Anolis and the monotypic genus Chamacleolis are considered in this checklist. This constitutes the total number of species of anoline lizards on the island and includes the forms previously referred to the genera Dciroptyx and Norops. Etheridge (1959, unpublished Ph.D. thesis) has reviewed the osteology of Anolis and related genera, and has concluded that neither the two species of Dciroptyx nor Norops ophiolcpis merit recognition in separate genera. According to Etheridge, however, the genus Chamaelcolis, though related to Anolis, appears to be the most distinctive of the anoline genera. Consequently, I follow him in regarding C. chamaelconides as representative of a monotypic genus.

In the checklist that follows, complete synonymies have not been provided. After each species the following is eited: the original description giving the name in the original form, the allocation to the genus *Anolis* (if not placed in that genus originally), Barbour and Ramsden's classification in 1919 and Barbour's in 1937, and any other nomenclatural changes (including the use of trinomials) since 1914. The original type locality is then cited. In some of the cases where no specific type locality was given in the original description, I have restricted the type locality to what appears to be a reasonable site. A short morphological definition of each species is provided. This contains a description of the color of the animals while alive as well as the more distinctive characters of scalation. In the anoline lizards color and pattern are often a more precise and convenient method of identifying and distinguishing the various species than scalation.

The known distribution of each species is indicated and also the range of any recognized subspecies. The data for the distribution were obtained from specimens in the Museum of Comparative Zoology as well as the American Museum of Natural History, United States National Museum, and University of Michigan Museum of Zoology. Literature citations have also been utilized where I felt that data were reliable or consistent with the museum locality data.

Below are listed the species recognized and the groups that they form. Some species are not included in any group but are placed near the forms that they resemble morphologically.

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	Genus Chamaeleolis
C. chamaeleonides A. equestris	Genus Anolis
A. porcatus A. allisoni A. angusticeps A. isolepis	carolinensis group, sensu la
A. ophiolepis A. sagrei A. homoleehis A. mestrei A. allogus A. ahli A. rubribarbus A. imias	<i>homolechis-sagrei</i> group
A. lucius A. argenteolus A. loysiana A. argillaceus	<i>lucius</i> group
A. alutaceus A. spectrum A. cyanopleurus	alutaceus group
A. vermiculatus A. bartschi	vermiculatus group

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The treatment of each species ends with a brief discussion of its ecology under the heading "remarks." Of the twenty-three species included in the checklist, I have observed all but four alive in the field. The species not seen in nature are: A. bartschi, A. vermiculatus, A. imias, and A. cyanopleurus.

A key to all twenty-three species is provided. It should be possible with the key and the aid of the additional morphological definitions presented in the text to identify both sexes of all the species. However, the key and descriptions are based primarily on the structure of the adult males; juveniles, as well as female specimens, usually do not demonstrate the diagnostic characters of the species as clearly as the adult males. An attempt has been made to make the key as nearly "natural" as possible and, consequently, the species I believe to be most closely related will key out near each other. In the checklist the related species have also been grouped. However, the sequence of the species in the list or key is not indicative of any supposed relationship.

The species groups are not to be considered definitive. They are based exclusively on the degree of similarity in the external morphology. Consequently, in certain cases, forms that are merely evolutionarily convergent have probably been classed as closely related. The morphological characteristics of these groups are as follows:

carolinensis group, sensu lato

Tail round in cross section and the ventrals in transverse rows. Head scales keeled. With the exception of *A. angusticeps* all the species have five scales bordering the rostral posteriorly and have green color phases. All are relatively long-snouted forms.

homolechis-sagrei group

Tail laterally compressed and the ventrals not in transverse rows. Head scales keeled. The supraorbital semicircles are usually not in contact medially. The body scales are small, the head is short snouted, and no green color phase occurs.

lucius group

The supraorbital semicircles are in broad contact medially. The head scales as well as the ventrals are smooth.

alutaceus group

A wide middorsal zone of enlarged keeled scales. Body and limbs elongate.

vermiculatus group

A transverse gular fold, no dewlap present.

COMMON NAMES

The majority of the Cuban species of *Anolis* have no specific common name other than "lagartija" or "lagartijo." This is the name that most Cubans will use when referring to *A. homolechis* or *A. sagrei*, or actually any relatively small lizard. Below are tabulated the names that I have personally heard used or names cited by Barbour and Ramsden (1919) or by Alayo (1955). There is considerable variation between the names used in Oriente and the western end of the island. The same common name may be used for different species in different parts of the island.

caguayo caguayo gris cagnayo verde caiman camaleon	 A. allisoni (Camaguey); A. equestris (Oriente) C. chamaelconides (Oriente) A. equestris (Oriente) A. vermiculatus A. equestris (western Cuba); C. chamaeleonides
	(Oriente)
chino	A. sagrei (Habana)
chipojo	A. equestris (Camaguey); A. porcatus (Oriente);
	C. chamaeleonides
chipojo blanco	C. chamaeleonides (Oriente)
chipojo prieto	C. ehamaeleonides
chipojo verde	A. cquestris (Oriente)
coronel	A. lucius (Matanzas)
lagartija (o)	A. sagrei; A. homolechis; A. allogus, etc.
lagartija de la yerba	A. ophiolepis
lagartija de tablado	A. argenteolus (Oriente)
lagarto	A. allisoni (Camagney); A. poreatus
sabandija	A. lucius (Las Villas)

DISTRIBUTION

In Table 1 the distribution of the twenty-three species of Cuban anoline lizards is tabulated. It is evident that all six provinces of the island have a relatively large number of species. Oriente at the extreme eastern end of Cuba has the most varied fauna with 18 of the 23 species represented. Eleven of the

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species are islandwide in distribution (sagrei, homolechis, allogus, angusticeps, porcatus, equestris, alutaceus, lucius, loysiana, ophiolepis and C. chamaeleonides). All of the species that are found on Isla de Pinos are islandwide on Cuba. The Isla de Pinos anoline fauna can thus be assumed to be recently derived from Cuba.

TABLE 1

Distribution of anoline species in Cuba

Species	Pinar del Rio	Наћапа	Matanzas	Las Villas	Camaguey	Oriente	Isla de Pinos
C. chamaeleonides	Х	Х	X	х	х	Х	
A. equestris	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	Х
A. porcatus	Х	X	Х	Х	Х	X	X
A. allisoni				Х	Х	Х	
A. angusticeps	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	X
A. isolepis					Х	Х	
A, sagrei	X	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	X
A. ophiolepis	X	X	Х	X	Х	X	X
A, homolechis	X	Х	Х	X	Х	Х	X
A. allogus	Х	Х	X?	X ?	Х	Х	
A. mestrei	Х						
A. ahli				X			
A. rubribarbus A. imias						X X	
A. loysiana	Х	X	Х	X	Х	Х	
A, argillaceus		Х			Х	Х	
A. lucius	X	X	Х	X	X	X	
A. argenteolus					Х	Х	
A. alutaceus	Х	Х	Х	X	Х	X	Х
A. spectrum			X	X			
A. cyanopleurus			2			Х	
A. vermiculatus	Х						
A. bartschi	Х						
Total number							
of species	14	12	12	14	15	18	7

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Within Cuba, the greatest differentiation occurs between the eastern and western ends of the island. Five species are apparently restricted to eastern Cuba (*rubribarbus*, *imias*, *argentcolus*, *isolepis*, and *cyanopleurus*) and three are peculiar to western Cuba (*bartschi*, *vermiculatus* and *mestrci*). A further center of differentiation occurs in central Cuba in the Sierra de Trinidad to which *ahli* and *spectrum* are restricted. The three areas of differentiaton on Cuba are mountainous and each of the areas is isolated from the others by broad regions of flat lowlands. *A. allisoni* has a unique distribution in comparison to all the other Cuba apecies — it is found in the lowlands of central and eastern Cuba and is limited in Oriente to the flat western portion of the province.

ACCOUNT OF THE SPECIES

CHAMAELEOLIS CHAMAELEONIDES Duméril and Bibron

Anolis chamaeleonides Duméril and Bibron, 1837, p. 168.

Chamaeleolis fernandina Coeteau, 1838, p. 145.

Chamaeleolis chamaeleontides: Barbour, 1914, p. 271; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 128.

Chamaelcolis chamaeleonides: Barbour, 1937, p. 117.

Type locality. Cuba.

Definition. The dorsum is covered with irregularly dispersed large and small scales. The scales are flat and smooth and the larger scales are circular. There is a middorsal crest composed of a single row of small triangular scales. Head scales are rugose; a very large massive bony head casque overlaps the neek. In the older specimens the orbit is roofed with bone. Two rows of enlarged triangular scales extend from the mental to the anterior border of the dewlap (Fig. 1). There is a small fleshy

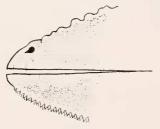


Figure 1. Snout of *C. chamaeleonides* showing the double row of triangular chin scales.

flap above the ear opening. Tail and body are laterally compressed.

The body color is usually grey with streaks and spots of black, brown-tan, and/or dark red. The animal can shift to a dark phase which is brown. The tongue is white and has a black tip. Juveniles lack the head casque but have the same body color as the adults.

There is no sexual dimorphism. Both sexes have a large grey or whitish dewlap; maximum snout to vent length 155 mm.

Distribution. This species is islandwide in its distribution. It has not been reported from Isla de Pinos.

Remarks. It appears that *C. chamaeleonides* is restricted to broadleaf forests and to the shaded portions of the forest. In Oriente it is reputedly common in the coffee groves — these are shaded coffee plantings that grow beneath the canopy of larger trees. Gundlach (1880) observed that it was restricted to forests, and that it was easy to capture. This is true, and its general behavior is chamaeleon-like in its slowness as well as in its ability to move each eye independently. Wilson (1957) has provided a short description of the behavior of a captive specimen. I have eaught five of these animals in the forests of Camaguey and Oriente and in every ease the lizard failed to make any attempt to escape. The animals are often perched head downward on large tree trunks in the same manner as the small species of *Anolis*.

Anolis equestris Merrem

Anolis equestris Merrem, 1820, p. 45.

Anolis equestris: Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 133.

Anolis equestris equestris: Barbour and Shreve, 1935, p. 249.

Anolis luteogularis Noble and Hassler, 1935, p. 113.

Anolis equestris luteogularis: Barbour and Shreve, 1935, p. 249.

Anolis equestris luteosignifer Barbour, 1937, p. 118, in error.

Anolis equestris noblei Barbour and Shreve, 1935, p. 250; Barbour, 1937, p. 118.

Anolis equestris hassleri Barbour and Shreve, 1935, p. 251; Barbour, 1937, p. 118.

Anolis equestris thomasi Schwartz, 1958, p. 3.

Type locality. Unknown.

Definition. A middorsal crest of small triangular scales; head scales rugose; body and tail laterally compressed. The canthal crest is thick and bony and there is also a bony nuchal crest and

postorbital ridge. There is considerable geographic variation in the size and shape of the scales of the body.

In the light phase the general body color is bright green, and dark brown in the dark phase. The various described subspecies differ in respect to the color pattern of the adults (see Schwartz, 1958). The dewlap varies from yellow or pale orange in Pinar del Rio (A. cquestris luteogularis) to pink in Oriente (A. c. noblei). There is a postorbital light blotch, a labial stripe and a shoulder stripe. These also show geographic variation in coloration and extent.

As has been observed by Barbour and Ramsden (1919) and Alayo (1955), the color pattern of the juveniles is very different from that of the adults. The body of the young specimens of *A. equestris* is marked by four prominent white stripes crossing the body diagonally. There are also prominent white diamonds on the dorsum of the tail.

There is no sexual dimorphism in size or markings. The males and females have large dewlaps; maximum shout to vent length, δ , 157 mm.

Distribution. The species is found throughout the island and on Isla de Pinos. The distribution of the various subspecies, as mapped by Schwartz (1958), is: A. e. luteogularis from Pinar del Rio to Habana; A. e. equestris in Habana, Matanzas, Las Villas and western-Camaguey; A. e. thomasi Camaguey and northwestern Oriente; A. e. noblei eastern Oriente; and A. e. hassleri on Isla de Pinos.

Remarks. This is the largest of the Cuban anoles, and it is a relatively common and well known species. The giant anole, or "chipojo," is found in agricultural areas, around houses, in gardens, as well as in the forests. It is an aggressive lizard, wary, and difficult to capture. When caught, it is capable of inflicting a painful bite. Many of the Cuban "guajiros" ascribe a poisonous property to the bite of A. *equestris* — this is apparently an old belief since Gundlach (1880) cites this same folklore.

The diet of this species is apparently very varied. It has been observed to eat fruit, tree frogs and insects (Barbour and Ramsden, 1919; Gundlach, 1880). In Camaguey, it has been reportedly observed to feed on birds — nestlings and caged birds. I have observed a half-grown A. cquestris repeatedly attacked by a "zorzal" (Minocichla plumbea) while the lizard slowly backed away along a branch twenty feet from the ground. When threatened, the "chipojo" turns laterally to its attacker and opens its

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large and cavernous mouth hissing and slowly maneuvering for position.

It lives high in the trees — it is rarely seen less than ten feet from the ground. It sometimes perches head downward on the trunk. The "chipojos" are quick to "freeze" on the approach of man and, consequently, are difficult to observe among the leaves of a tree. They will often slowly circle around a trunk, squirrel-like, keeping just out of sight.

Anolis porcatus Gray

Anolis porcatus Gray, 1840, p. 112.
Anolis porcatus porcatus: Barbour, 1937, p. 119.
Anolis carolinensis porcatus: Oliver, 1948, p. 7.
Anolis porcatus: Ruibal and Williams, 1961a, p. 184.

Type locality. Cuba.

Definition. A long-snouted lizard having the nostril separated from the rostral by three scales. The rostral is bordered posteriorly by five scales (Fig. 2). The ventrals at midbody are in transverse and diagonal rows; ventrals and dorsals slightly keeled; the frontal ridge higher than the canthal ridge in most males. The ear opening is circular, or in some specimens from Pinar del Rio the posterior margin of the ear opening is Vshaped. Body color capable of changing from dark brown to bright green. The color pattern of the body differs between eastern, central, and western populations (see Ruibal and Williams, 1961a). Dewlap reddish or mauve. Females smaller than males and without a dewlap. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 73 mm.



Figure 2. Dorsal view of the tip of the snont of a specimen of *A. porcalus*. The *carolinensis* group characters are shown: five scales bordering the rostral posteriorly and three scales between the rostral and nostril.

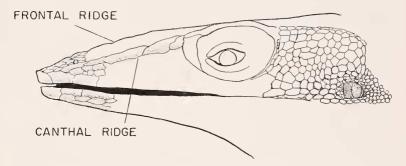


Figure 3. Head of a male *A. porcatus*. The circular ear opening, the high frontal ridges, and the large postorbital scales are shown.

Distribution. This species has an island-wide distribution and is also found on Isla de Pinos. Shaw and Breese (1951) have reported "A. carolinensis porcatus" from Honolulu, in the Hawaiian Islands. I have examined some of the specimens on which this report is based. They are males larger than the usual A. carolinensis from the southeastern United States. They may represent specimens of A. porcatus originally from the area of Habana or A. carolinensis from the United States. In any case, their body pattern indicates that the Hawaiian population is not originally derived from Pinar del Rio, central Cuba or eastern Cuba.

The geographic variation of *porcatus* is complex and is discussed in Ruibal and Williams (1961a). A. *porcatus*, as it is recognized, may represent more than one species. With this in mind 1 have refrained from using the trinomial A. *carolinensis porcatus*. Undoubtedly A. *carolinensis* is closely related to *porcatus*; however, the proper nomenclature will only be clear after the Cuban populations of *porcatus* are better understood.

Remarks. At the western and eastern ends of Cuba, *porcatus* is a very common species found around houses, in gardens, on fences, pastures, and at the outermost edges of the forest. In the provinces of Camaguey and Las Villas (and western Oriente) *porcatus* is sympatric with *A. allisoni* and in these areas it is a relatively rare species.

Collette (1961) has recently provided a detailed study of some aspects of the ecology of *porcatus*. He reports the interesting phenomenon that in Habana during December, specimens of

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porcatus congregate (up to 30 individuals) under palm fronds and exhibit no territoriality.

Anolis Allisoni Barbonr

Anolis allisoni Barbour, 1928, p. 58; Ruibal and Williams, 1961a, p. 183.

Type locality. Coxen Hole, Ruatan, Islas de la Bahia, off the north coast of Honduras.

Definition. Similar to A. porcatus. However, it differs from that species in having an elongate ear opening, the posterior margin forming a longitudinal depression (Fig. 4). The temporal or postocular scales are smaller than in A. porcatus. In males the canthal ridges are higher than the frontal ridges. Males have the head and thorax blue when in the light color phase. Females are all green and show no blue color. Both sexes can change to dark brown. The dewlap is reddish or mauve. Females smaller than males, without a dewlap, and with a light middorsal stripe. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 75 mm.

CANTHAL RIDGE

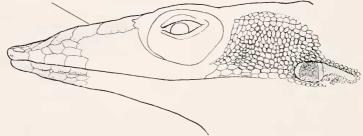


Figure 4. Head of a male A. allisoni. The elongate ear opening is shown.

Distribution. Though originally described from the Islas de la Bahia, this is a common species in central Cuba (Las Villas, Camaguey, and western lowland Oriente) and was until recently (Rnibal and Williams, 1961a) confused with and identified as *A. porcatus*. In central Cuba *allisoni* and *porcatus* are sympatric and appear to occupy overlapping ecological niches. Where the two species are sympatric, *allisoni* is always the more abundant species.

Besides being found on Islas de la Bahia, A. *allisoni* has also been collected on Half Moon Cay off the coast of British Honduras.

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Remarks. In central Cuba *allisoni* is a very common lizard in the vicinity of human dwellings, in gardens, fence posts, etc. In Camaguey it is very common on the coconut palm and on the royal palm (*Roystonea*). See Ruibal (1961) for further ecological data.

ANOLIS ISOLEPIS COPE

Anolis isolepis Cope, 1861, p. 214; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919; Barbour, 1937, p. 128.

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Dorsal surface of head flat; no frontal ridges or depression; head scales large, with wavy longitudinal striations (Fig. 5), flat and generally hexagonal in shape. Single row separating the circumorbital semicircles; five scales bordering the rostral posteriorly; dorsals small, nonimbricate, and may be keeled; the ventrals keeled or smooth and in transverse and diagonal rows; body laterally compressed; tail shows slight lateral compression.

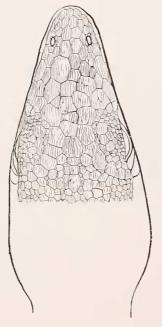


Figure 5. Head scales of A. isolepis.

The general body color is bright green. This may change to a purplish shade and dark reticular markings may become evident. Apparently both sexes have a dewlap. The color of the dewlap is apricot yellow, though a female from Camaguey had a yellow-ish-white dewlap. Males have a thin white line from below the eye to above the forelimb; maximum snout to vent length, δ , 40 mm.

Distribution. Found only in Oriente and Camaguey.

Remarks. This is probably the rarest of the Cuban anoles. It is a vocal lizard and emits high-pitched squeaks on being captured. Its ability to assume a purple color, its flat head seales, and vocal ability make it one of the most distinctive of the Cuban anoles. It is an aggressive lizard and will bite repeatedly on being captured. This, combined with its relatively large head, laterally compressed body, and green color, cause it to resemble a lilliputian *A. equestris.* This species is restricted to the deep, broadleaf forests of eastern Cuba. The two specimens that I have collected were both obtained at a height of about eight feet in the leaves of the lowest canopy in the forest.

Anolis angusticeps Hallowell

Anolis angusticcps Hallowell, 1856, p. 228; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 135.

Anolis angusticeps angusticeps: Barbour, 1937, p. 128; Oliver, 1948, p. 2. Anolis angusticeps oligaspis: Barbour, 1937, p. 128; Oliver, 1948, p. 2. Anolis angusticeps chickcharneyi Oliver, 1948, p. 2.

Type locality. Cienfuegos, Las Villas.

Definition. Head scales rugose or striated in males, usually smooth in females; circumorbital semicircles separated by a single row of scales; frontal ridges on the males; usually only two supraoculars. Dorsals and laterals granular, equal in size and smooth; ventrals smooth and in transverse and diagonal rows. Tail round in cross section. Body with slight dorsoventral compression.

General body color can change from greyish to yellowish brown to dark brown. The body pattern is variable and usually shows some longitudinal markings. In the dark phase the body pattern may be obliterated. Ventral surface usually with much yellow pigment and scattered dark markings. The tail may show a cross-banded effect when viewed from above. Three yellow or light spots usually present on the posterior surface of the femoral region. Dewlap peach (yellow-pink) in color. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 49.5 mm.

Distribution. Islandwide and on Isla de Pinos. Also in the Bahamas (A. angusticeps oligaspis), (A. angusticeps chick-charneyi).

Remarks. The characters of scalation distinguishing the subspecies are described by Oliver (1948).

This species is found throughout the island, but it is in most areas a rarely seen form. I have only observed it to be common on small bushes and tree trunks in the pine savanna of the southern coastal plain of Pinar del Rio near Herradura. It is apparently a heliothermic species characteristically found in open habitats: fence posts, rocks, pahm trunks, and on *Coccoloba* along the coast (Alayo, 1955). However, Collette (1961) describes it from a forest habitat in Habana.

Barbour (1914) mistakenly described specimens of *allogus* as this species. He corrected this in 1919 in the "Herpetology of Cuba."

Anolis ophiolepis Cope

Anolis (Dracontura) ophiolepis Cope, 1861, p. 211.

Norops ophiolepis: Boulenger, 1885, p. 96; Barbour, 1914, p. 296; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 164; Barbour, 1937, p. 131,

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Head scales longer than wide and each with a single keel; canthus rostralis made up of two scales, the anteriormost scale much the longer; a single suborbital scale; middorsal zone of enlarged, imbricate, lanceolate, keeled scales; lateral scales much smaller but keeled and imbricate; ventrals keeled, pointed, and imbricate and in longitudinal and diagonal rows; limbs with keeled and imbricate scales; tail laterally compressed.

The body color is brown with five longitudinal stripes — a middorsal, two paravertebrals, and two laterals. There is a very small pink to red dewlap that is covered with large keeled scales. Some males have been observed with bluish coloration on the lateral surfaces. Maximum size, δ , 35 mm.

Distribution. Islandwide and on Isla de Pinos.

Remarks. This is not a rare species; it is merely rarely caught. This is the only truly terrestrial species of the Cuban anoline lizards. This species is found in the pastures and savannas, on the ground, and runs to take refuge in the grass tussocks. I have observed this species at night sleeping on the blades of grass or on the leaves of small bushes.

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Contrary to the statement of Barbour (1914, p. 296), this species does possess subdigital lamellae like that of the other species of *Anolis*. The lamellae are fewer in number and relatively narrow.

ANOLIS SAGREI DUMÉRII and Bibron

Anolis sagrei Duméril and Bibron, 1837; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 143.Anolis greyi Barbour, 1914, p. 287; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 144;Barbour, 1937, p. 128.

Anolis bremeri Barbour, 1914, p. 288; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919; Barbour, 1937, p. 129.

Anolis nelsoni Barbour, 1914, p. 287.

Anolis stejnegeri Barbour, 1931, p. 88.

Anolis sagrei sagrei: Barbour, 1937, p. 126; Oliver, 1948, p. 23.

Anolis sagrei ordinatus: Barbour, 1937, p. 126; Oliver, 1948, p. 23.

Anolis sagrei stejnegeri: Oliver, 1948, p. 23; Duellman and Schwartz, 1958, p. 281.

Anolis sagrei mayensis: Smith and Burger, 1949, p. 407.

Type locality. Cuba. It appears reasonable to restrict the type locality to the city of La Habana, Habana.

Definition. In scalation sagrei is very similar to homolechis. All of the body and head scales are keeled. There is a middorsal zone about six scales wide of slightly enlarged keeled scales, most of which are imbricate. In the other species of the homolechis group the middorsal zone of enlarged scales is only about two scales wide, the scales are feebly keeled, and not imbricate. Lateral scales small and granular but showing evidence of keels. Ventrals keeled, imbricate, pointed and in longitudinal and diagonal rows. Supradigital scales multicarinate. Tail laterally compressed and with evidence of a caudal crest in some specimens.

Body color and pattern variable. The general ground color is tan, brown, or very dark brown. The middorsal zone is usually darker than the rest of the body. In some animals the top of the head and top of the neck are reddish brown and the body tan when in the light phase. In the dark phase, yellow vertical stripes and dots are present on the flanks. Dewlap color variable (see below). Maximum body size for Cuban $\delta \delta$, 67 mm. Most adult males are less than 60 mm. (see below).

Distribution. Islandwide and on Isla de Pinos. A. sagrei is widely distributed outside of Cuba (Fig. 6): Bahamas (A. sagrei ordinatus), Florida (A. sagrei stejnegeri), Yucatan, Campeche, British Honduras (A. sagrei mayensis), Little Cayman, Jamaica (A. sagrei sagrei), and Swan Island (A. sagrei nelsoni).

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Figure 6. Map of the distribution of Anolis sagrei and its close relatives.

Remarks. In 1914 Barbour described *Anolis greyi* from Camaguey as related to *sagrei*. I have examined the type in the Museum of Comparative Zoology and many *sagrei* collected in the vicinity of the city of Camaguey — the type locality of *greyi*. I have found no evidence for considering *greyi* a distinct form and have consequently placed it in the synonymy of *sagrei*.

Barbour also described *Anolis bremeri* from Pinar del Rio as a new species in 1914. This form is readily distinguishable from the "typical" sagrei, and furthermore is restricted to the southern coastal plains region of Pinar del Rio. Schwartz (1959) has demonstrated that this area of Cuba has a number of species that are distinct from those on the rest of the island. A. bremeri is characterized by having a large and deeply pigmented dewlap. Initially the dewlap appears brownish in color but on closer inspection it is seen to be a deep ochraceous vellow with large deep red (maroon) markings. The margin of the dewlap is the same color as the main portion of the dewlap, and the scales along the margin, as well as on the dewlap itself, are very deeply pigmented with melanin. When the dewlap is folded it appears as a black mark on the throat. The maximum shout to yent length of this lizard is greater than that of most Cuban populations of sagrei (see below). This form is morphologically distinct and further study is necessary to determine whether it should be treated as a subspecies or full species.

In 1931 Barbour described another new species, stejnegeri, from Key West, Florida, and claimed that it was related to *ahli* and mestrei of Cuba. However, Smith (1946), Oliver (1948), and Duellman and Schwartz (1958) have shown that steinegeri is closely related to the Cuban populations of *sagrei* and have indicated this by using the trinominal A. saarei steincaeri. Duellman and Schwartz studied the Key West and Miami populations of *sagrei* and decided that the two were very similar and should be considered as A. saarei steinegeri. However, I have been unable to find any valid character to distinguish sagrei steinegeri from the Cuban populations of sagrei. Various authors (Smith and Burger, Duellman and Schwartz) have utilized pigmentation and dewlap color of preserved specimens of s. stejnegeri and s. sagrei to distinguish the two forms. This has led to spurious distinctions being made between Cuban and Floridian populations. The type of preservative (alcohol or formalin) to which specimens are subjected, the time spent in the preservative, and the body color phase at the time of preservation, all affect the color and pattern of the animal. Little reliance can be placed on the dewlap color of a preserved anole. Smith and Burger (1949) describe the dewlap of sagrei sagrei as "light brown to light grey." Actually, after preservation, the color of the dewlap in Cuban sagrei may range from completely colorless (white) to almost black, and rarely some red pigment will be preserved. In life the dewlap of Cuban sagrei shows polymorphism — within the same populations in Camaguev the dewlap may be bright red, dark red, or ochraceous (brownish yellow). It has been claimed that a further distinction between *stejnegeri* and Cuban *sagrei* is the fact that the midventral throat scales (scales at the edge of the dewlap) are light in the Florida specimens but black or dark grey in Cuban populations. I have been unable to verify this — Cuban specimens usually are devoid of any pigmentation on the throat scales. Some Cuban populations, such as the *bremeri*, do have black throat scales, but this character serves only to distinguish this form from the other Cuban populations.

The distribution of *sagrei* in Florida is discontinuous (Oliver, 1950; Duellman and Schwartz, 1958).¹ Its distribution pattern is that of an introduced species. Thus it exists in ports of entry which trade heavily with Cuba. The Key West population of *sagrei* has probably started to disperse (Duellman and Schwartz record a specimen from Cudjoe Key). However, it is not found in the central keys or in the keys close to the mainland. It is apparently restricted to edificarian habitats. Furthermore, it does not appear to be readily distinguishable in morphology from the Cuban populations of *sagrei*. 1 am, therefore, of the opinion that *sagrei stejnegeri* does not merit subspecific recognition.

A. sagrei ordinatus from the Bahamas is readily distinguishable from the other populations of sagrei. In the Bahaman lizards, in contrast to the other populations, the circumorbital semicircles are usually in contact (Oliver, 1950). Furthermore, the dewlap color and pattern of two specimens of sagrei ordinatus that I have seen from Binnini are very distinctive — yellowish or orange-yellow with two or three broken red stripes. Stejneger (1905), in a footnote, describes sagrei ordinatus as having, in life, an orange-colored dewlap. However, Rosen (1911) describes specimens from Andros and New Providence as having a yellow-ish-red dewlap when about 40 mm. in length (snout to vent), and further claims that larger specimens (55-60 mm.), have brown dewlaps with black scales.

Anolis nelsoni Barbour was described in 1914 from Swan Island, and in his description Barbour indicated that it was closely related to *sagrei*. It is distinguished from *sagrei* by having a "deep olive gray" dewlap, a pronounced caudal crest, and a lemon-yellow color to the head. I have here considered it as a subspecies, but it may merit recognition as a full species.

¹ The localities for *sugrei* in Florida are: St. Petersburg, Tampa, Lake Worth (probably A. *sagrei ordinatus*), Coral Gables, Miani, Key West, Cudjoe Key, and it has recently been found in Fort Myers (Stanley Rand, personal communication).

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A. sagrei mayensis was described by Smith and Burger (1949) from Yucatan, and considered distinct from other saarei in its larger size and some supposed scalation and color characters. The majority of specimens of male adult Bahaman and Cuban sagrei are between 55 and 60 mm. snout to vent length. The specimens of *bremeri* from Pinar del Rio are larger: the large adult males are over 60 mm. in length (maximum 67 mm.). The mainland sagrei mayensis from Mexico and Belice (Neill and Allen, 1959) are about the same size as the Cuban bremeri. Specimens of *sagrci nelsoni* from Swan Island are, however, even larger, the males reaching maximum shout to vent length of 70 mm. The Central American, Swan Island, and Mexican mainland forms are thus distinct from the majority of other populations on the basis of size. These various large forms merit further study. The interrelation of these populations is not clear, and their distribution may prove to be much wider than the present data indicate.

As mentioned previously, the dewlap color of the Cuban populations of *sagrei* is a polymorphic character. The majority of specimens have a dewlap of some shade of red — bright red. brick red, orange red, etc. However, within almost every Cuban population of *sagrei* there will be found some specimens with brownish or ochre-colored dewlaps. Off the south eoast of Camaguey on the keys of the Laberinto de las Doce Leguas, the majority of the specimens have brown dewlaps. I have observed specimens with these various dewlap colors over prolonged periods of time in captivity. In no instance did the dewlap change color. The dewlap color may become darker or lighter; however, this appears to be a function of the melanophores on the scales and not of the colored skin between the scales.

Throughout most of Cuba *sagrei* is an extremely abundant lizard. It is the characteristic fence-post lizard on farms, in gardens, and in city parks. It is found in savannas, pine, and in coastal regions as well as near the beaches. In the broadleaf forests it is restricted to the large clearings and the open margins of the forest. This species together with *porcatus* and *allisoni* has been the most successful Cuban species to adapt to edificarian habitats (see Ruibal and Williams, 1961a, and Ruibal, 1961, for further discussion of the ecology of *sagrei*).

Alayo (1951) mentions the interesting fact that *sagrei* is not common in patios of Santiago de Cuba. Instead, *argenteolus*

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together with *porcatus* are the common garden species. This indieates that *sagrci* is a more recent arrival to Oriente than *argentcolus* and that it has not been able to or has not yet entered the edificarian habitat in this area. In Sagua de Tanamo, in northern Oriente, *sagrci* and *homolcchis* are found on the same fence posts in farms and gardens. In Camaguey, to the west of Oriente, *homolcchis* is never found outside of the forest habitat. *Homolcchis* and *sagrci* have identical perching sites but differ in their mean body temperature (Ruibal, *op. cit.*) and presumably would be in direct competition with each other when in the same habitat. The situation at Sagua de Tanamo may thus be a recently created one which will in time yield the same habitat segregation as is exhibited by *sagrci* and *homolechis* in Camaguey.

Anolis luteosignifer Garman from Cayman Brac is a species related but distinct from *sagrei* (Barbour, 1914). I have not studied this species.

Anolis homolechis Cope

Xiphosurus homolechis Cope, 1864, p. 169.

- Anolis homolechis: Boulenger, 1885, p. 28; Barbour, 1914, p. 274; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 155; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 228.
- Anolis calliurus Ahl, 1924, p. 249.
- Anolis muelleri Ahl, 1924, p. 247.

Anolis cubanus Ahl, 1925, p. 87.

- Anolis patricius Barbour, 1929, p. 37.
- Anolis homolechis: Barbour, 1937, p. 127; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 231.

Anolis homolechis patricius: Barbour, 1937, p. 127.

Anolis quadriocellifer Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 158.

Anolis homolechis quadriocellifer: Barbour, 1937, p. 127; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 231.

Type locality. Here restricted to La Habana, Habana.

Definition. Dorsals small and granular; ventrals smooth and in diagonal and transverse rows. Supraorbital semicircles separated by a single scale: posterior medial margins of the mentals separated by small postmentals (Fig. 7a); supracarpal and supradigital scales usually smooth or with a single keel; a single undivided scale anterior to the nares (Fig. 8); scales along the posterior margin of the interparietal large and sharply demarcated from the dorsals. Tail laterally compressed and with a crest. The general body color ranges from light tan, through reddish brown, brown, and black. Usually there is some evidence of horizontal stripes on the flanks and four dark chevrons on the dorsum. Yellow markings may be present laterally. The dewlap is variable in color (see below). The iris is gold or metallic brown. Maximum shout to vent length, δ , 56 mm. Females smaller.

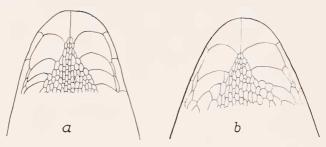


Figure 7. (a) A few small scales separate the posterior medial margins of the mentals in *A. homolechis* and *A. mestrei*. (b) The gulars do not separate the posterior medial margins of the mentals in *A. allogus*, *A. ahli*, *A. rubribarbus*, and *A. imias*.



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Figure 8. The structure of the scale anterior to the external maris in *A. homolechis* and *A. allogus*.

Distribution. This species has an islandwide distribution and is also found on Isla de Pinos.

Remarks. Numerous populations of this species are characterized by distinctive dewlap colors and patterns — pure white, grey, and yellow. The population of *homolechis* at the extreme western end of the island, Cabo San Antonio, is distinctive enough to warrant recognition as a subspecies, *A. homolechis quadriocellifer* (Barbour and Ramsden). When more data are available, it will be possible to interpret the status of the other color variants of *homolechis*. The morphology and variation of *homolechis* is discussed in detail in Ruibal and Williams (1961b).

A. homolcchis quadrioccllifer differs from the other populations of homolcchis in having a yellow dewlap with red stripes and a white margined ocellus above the forelimb.

Throughout the island, *homolechis* is found inhabiting the forest margins and within the more open and sparse forests. It is found from the forests of the Sierra Maestra (from almost 6,000 feet) and the palm-pine savannas of Oriente to the "mogotes" of Pinar del Rio — anywhere that natural forest vegetation has survived. In some localities — Sagua de Tanamo, Oriente — this species has also adapted to the man-made plant associations in gardens, farms, and pastures. The thermal ecology of this species is discussed in Ruibal (1961).

ANOLIS MESTREI Barbour and Ramsden

Anolis mestrei Barbour and Ramsden, 1916, p. 19; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 161; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 236.

Anolis allogus mestrei: Barbour, 1937, p. 120.

Type locality. Valle de Luis Lazo, Pinar del Rio.

Definition. The scalation of this species is similar to that of homolechis except that the posterior supraeiliaries of mestrei are small and granular while those of homolechis are larger, elongate, and keeled. The ear of mestrei is round while that of homolechis is higher than wide. The body color ranges from dark to light grey and usually has a greenish cast. Yellow and orange spots are present over the body. The dewlap has a dark red basal spot with two orange-yellow stripes and a broad white margin. The iris is yellowish. Maximum shout to vent length, β , 55 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Restricted to the broadleaf forests of the limestone "mogotes" and mountains of the Sierra de los Organos and the Sierra del Rosario in Pinar del Rio.

Remarks. This species is sympatric with *allogus* and *homolechis*, species to which it is closely related. *Mestrei* appears to be more terrestrial than either of the other species, and it is usually found on the limestone rocks rather than on tree trunks. It appears to be restricted to the shady portions of the forest.

ANOLIS ALLOGUS Barbour and Ramsden

Anolis allogus Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 159; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 215.

Anolis abatus Ahl, 1924, p. 248.

Anolis allogus allogus: Barbour, 1937, p. 120.

Type locality. Bueycito, S. of Bayamo, Oriente.

Definition. Dorsals small and granular. Ventrals smooth and in diagonal or transverse rows. Supraorbital semicircles separated by two scales; a transverse suture between the mentals and the postmentals (Fig. 7b); supracarpal and supradigital scales multicarinate and mucronate; scale anterior to the naris divided by a horizontal suture (Fig. 8); scales around the posterior margin of the interparietal small and grading into the dorsals. Tail laterally compressed and usually with a crest. Body color reddish-brown with yellow reticulations. Dewlap ground color ranging from yellow to apricot and with three or four reddish stripes and a white margin. Iris blue. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 58 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. The species is probably islandwide in its distribution; however, it is limited to the deep broadleaf forests and has never been found outside of the forest. It has not been recorded on Isla de Pinos.

There are no records of this species from Matanzas, or Las Villas. However, this is probably the result of the destruction of the natural habitat of this species by agriculture (Ruibal and Williams, 1961b).

Remarks. This species shows little geographic variation outside of minor color and pattern differences of the dewlap.

In the broadleaf forests of Camaguey, Oriente, and Pinar del Rio, this is a common and easily seen lizard. The males perch a few feet from the ground on the trunks of the smaller trees. The dewlap is large and shows up brilliantly against the dark shaded background of the forest. It is a shade-dwelling species and in most parts of its range it is sympatric with *A. lucius*. The thermal ecology of *allogus* and *lucius* is discussed in Ruibal (1961).

ANOLIS AILLI Barbour

Anolis ahli Barbour, 1925, p. 168; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 221. Anolis allogus ahli: Barbour, 1937, p. 120.

Type locality. Sierra de Trinidad, Las Villas.

Definition. Scalation like that of *A. allogus.* The males of this species appear to lack a caudal crest. The body color usually shows a greenish cast and the general color may shift from tan to dark brown. A common body pattern is a "salt and pepper" speckling. The dewlap has a large red spot that is surrounded

by a broad yellow-white area. The iris is blue. Maximum shout to vent length, δ , 58 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Known only from the Sierra de Trinidad in Las Villas.

Remarks. This is a forest-dwelling species found in the deeply shaded portions of the forest.

ANOLIS RUBRIBARBUS Barbour and Ramsden

Anolis rubribarbus Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 156; Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 222.

Anolis homolechis rubribarbus: Barbour, 1937, p. 127.

Type locality. Puerto de Cananova, near Sagua de Tanamo, Oriente.

Definition. The scalation of this species is like that of A. allogus except that the scale anterior to the naris is usually single in A. rubribarbus. There is a well developed caudal crest. The body color is usually grey, ranging from a pale grey to almost black. Yellow spots and reticulations may be present on the flanks. The body may show various color and pattern phases ranging from a "salt and pepper" pattern in light grey to a pattern of blackish vertical bands separated by yellowish or grey bands. The dewlap has 4-5 thin red lines on a deep yellow ground color and a white margin. The iris is blue grey. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 62 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. This species is known from the north coast of Oriente from Cananova to Punta Gorda east of Moa. It may extend further east.

Remarks. Like *ahli* this species is very closely related to *allogus*, has a limited distribution, and is allopatrie to *allogus*. More detailed information about the populations of *allogus* on the north coast of Oriente will demonstrate whether *rubribarbus* needs to be considered as a subspecies of *allogus*.

This is a forest dwelling species.

ANOLIS IMIAS Ruibal and Williams

Anolis imias Ruibal and Williams, 1961b, p. 237.

Type locality. Imias, south coast of Oriente.

Definition. In scalation similar to *homolechis* but differing in having smooth brachial scales and smooth supraocular scales, and having the postmentals bordering the mental along a transverse border. This species is known only from the type and

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paratype. The only thing known about its color in life is that the dewlap is brown. Maximum snout to vent length, 3, 65 mm. Females smaller.

Remarks. This species is known only from the type and paratype. It is the only new species of Cuban *Anolis* described since the publication of Barbour's 1937 checklist.

ANOLIS LUCIUS DUMÉRII and Bibron

Anolis lucius Duméril and Bibron, 1837, p. 105; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 138; Barbour, 1937, p. 129.

Type locality. Cuba.

Definition. Smooth head scales; circumorbital semicircles in broad contact medially (Fig. 9). Dorsals small and smooth. Ventrals smooth and in transverse and diagonal rows. Three transparent palpebral scales on the lower eyelid. Supraocular scales irregular in shape (not transversely enlarged). Ear opening large and the tympanum completely exposed and the extracolumella visible (Fig. 10).

The overall body color of central and eastern specimens varies from a semi-transparent faint greenish blue to a yellowish tan. The venter is metallic yellow. Four middorsal reddish blotches are sometimes evident. The head and neck is marked by welldefined light stripes that make a chevron-like pattern on the nuchal area. The parietal eye is in the center of a light spot.

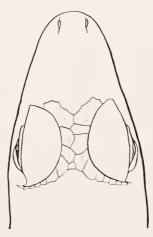


Figure 9. The supraorbital semicircles are in broad contact medially in *loysiana*, *argillaceus*, *lucius*, and *argenteolus*.

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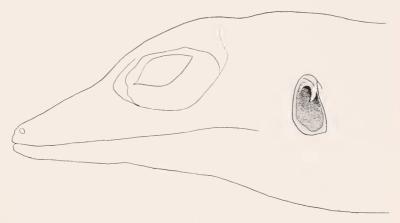


Figure 10. The tympanum of *A. lucius* showing a prominent extracolumella.

The iris is brown. The few specimens of *lucius* from Pinar del Rio that I have observed alive had an overall brilliant blue color and no red dorsal spots.

Dewlap yellowish at the base. A broad white margin having two or three grey stripes. Maximum shout to vent length, δ , 66 mm. Females smaller than males.

Distribution. From Pinar del Rio to western Oriente. It is apparently absent from the mountainous eastern and southern portions of Oriente. Confined to forested areas.

Remarks. This species has previously been considered to be restricted to limestone areas, and it was thought to select caves and cliffs as its preferred habitat (Barbour and Ramsden, 1919). In lowland forests in Camaguev, where no limestone exists, lucius inhabits very large tree trunks (such as the strangler fig, Ficus). In the forests of Oriente, Pinar del Rio, Camaguey, and Las Villas, I have seen specimens of this species on every "jaguey" (as the strangler fig is known in Cuba) examined. Apparently lucius is specialized in that it is a shade-preferring form (Ruibal, 1961) limited to a substratum of large and intricate surfaces. This type of substratum preference is correlated with the geckolike, communal egg-laying habits of the species (Dunn, 1926; Hardy, 1957). On limestone caves and cliffs, large numbers of eggs (over 100) are attached to the roofs of certain erevices and hollows in the rock. In the caves, this is usually in the twilight zone of the cave. On the strangler figs, the eggs are deposited in the large interstices made by the contorted growth of the fig, or in the hollows created by the rotting of the parasitized tree. These sites are thus ecologically equivalent to the limestone caves. In Las Villas I have observed *lucius* together with *Tarcntola americana* in the hollow of a large mamoncillo (*Melicocca bijuga*). Allen and Neill (1957) report finding these two lizards sympatrically and comment on the gecko-like habits of *A. lucius*.

This species is probably the most vocal of the Cuban anoles. They not only will squeak when captured but ean, on occasion, be heard to make the same sound while seurrying about on the vertical surfaces at the entrance of eaves. As Barbour and Ramsden (1919) have observed, Cuban peasants ascribe the call of various species of *Elcutherodactylus* to *lucius*.

A further specialization demonstrated by *lucius* is the presence of transparent palpebral scales on the lower eyelid. These scales besides being transparent are bordered by a black, but translucent pigment. Williams and Hecht (1955) have interpreted this condition as an example of 'sunglasses': the lizard normally dwelling in deeply shaded areas and protected by its pigmented palpebral scales when it ventures into brightly illuminated areas — the palpebrals acting to reduce the intensity of the light.

Smith and Willis (1955) have described a peculiar variation found in some populations of *lucius*: in the females and juveniles, the tail is always round in cross section, but in the males the tail may vary from round to laterally compressed.

ANOLIS ARGENTEOLUS COPE

Anolis argenteolus Cope, 1861, p. 213; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 140; Barbour, 1937, p. 129.

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Similar to lucius in scalation. There are two transparent palpebrals on the lower eyelid of argentcolus, while lucius usually has three palpebrals. In habitus the specimens of argentcolus are thinner and longer limbed than lucius, and are also smaller in size.

The general body color of *argenteolus* is brown and lacks the striped head and neck region so characteristic of *lucius*. The body is reticulated with yellow and/or grey. The dewlap in male *argenteolus* has a basal area that is grey or brown while

the rest of the dewlap is white. Maximum shout to vent length, δ , 50 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Limited to Oriente and southeastern Camaguey. The Camaguey specimens (M.C.Z.) were collected northeast of Santa Cruz del Sur.

Remarks. I have always observed this species in the shade in broadleaf forests. It inhabits large as well as small tree trunks and does not show the specialization for large surfaces that *lucius* demonstrates. Barbour and Ramsden elaim that it is partial to limestone. This is probably true, but I have never had the opportunity to collect *argentcolus* in habitats containing limestone exposures. Barbour and Ramsden as well as Alayo report the species to be common around houses in Santiago. As Barbour and Ramsden have observed, this species appears to be the only shade-dwelling form that has successfully invaded edificarian habitats. Alayo also reports it from forests on the lower portions of the tree trunks.

The report (Cooper, 1958) of *argenteolus* from the *Coccoloba* association on the beach along the south coast of Oriente appears to be in error. The species he observed was probably *angusticeps*.

ANOLIS LOYSIANA Duméril and Bibron

Anolis loysiana: Duméril and Bibron, 1837, p. 100; Boulenger, 1885, p. 42; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 146; Barbour, 1937, p. 129.

Acantholis loysiana: Coeteau, 1838, p. 141.

Type locality. Cuba.

Definition. Similar to argillaccus. The most prominent difference is the presence of large spine-like scales on the body and limbs of loysiana. The dorsals between the spine-like scales are small, flat, and smooth. The two species are alike in other scale characters. In loysiana the tail is round in cross section and the body is slightly compressed dorsoventrally.

In coloration, *loysiana* has the same greyish to brownish coloring with dark reticular markings. However, it lacks the longitudinal striping often seen in *argillaccus*. When on a greybarked tree, specimens of *loysiana* are eryptic: the ashgrey color, reticulations, and spines camouflaging the animals. In Camaguey the dewlap color varied from a tan color to pink-tan to pale orange-red. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 40 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Islandwide. Not recorded from Isla de Pinos. *Remarks*. Gundlach (1880) reported this to be an islandwide

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species and a forest-dwelling form. In Camaguey, where I have collected *loysiana*, it has always been on the trunk of trees in relatively open savanna-like clearings. It has been in areas formerly occupied by forest but partially cleared by agriculture. At the one locality in Camaguey where the species was relatively abundant (15 km. SW of Camaguey), it was usually on the trunk of "guamas" (*Lonchocarpus* sp.).

ANOLIS ARGILLACEUS COPE

Anolis argillaceus Cope, 1862, p. 176; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 147; Barbour, 1937, p. 129.

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Head scales smooth; supraorbital semicircles in broad contact medially; 3 transversely enlarged supraoculars (Fig. 11); ear opening small and the extracolumella not visible. Dorsals smooth, small, and flat. Ventrals smooth with a rounded posterior margin and in diagonal rows; some of the ventrals in longitudinal rows on the anterior part of the venter, others in vague transverse rows. Tail laterally compressed. Males with very large hemipenes (the hemipenial swelling in the tail extending posteriorly to the same level as the heel of the hind foot when adpressed against the tail). Body laterally compressed.

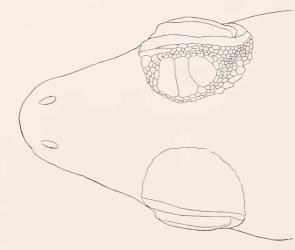


Figure 11. The transversely enlarged supraocular scales of A. argillaccus.

General body color greyish. Reticular and longitudinal dark markings over the body. In the light phase the animal is a very pale grey while in the dark phase it becomes brownish. The dewlap is usually very large. In Camaguey, the dewlap colors are variable — I have seen specimens with yellow, orange-yellow, and red dewlaps. Maximum snout to vent length, 3, 45 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Known from Oriente and the eastern half of Camaguey and recently from a single specimen reported from Habana (Collette, 1961).

Remarks. In Camaguey I have found this species to be rare. When collected, it has always been in open savanna-like habitats, the animals being found on the trunks of relatively large trees. The species is apparently very common in some parts of Oriente. Alayo (1951) reports that it is a common fence-post lizard in Santiago; Barbour and Ramsden reported it from coffee groves and on "guásimas" (*Guazuma ulmifolia*) in Oriente. A number of the Camaguey specimens that I collected were also found on the trunks of "guásimas."

Most of the specimens of *argillaceus* show homogeneous dorsal and lateral scales. However, on some specimens a careful examination of the scales under a microscope shows the presence of a few isolated and scattered enlarged scales. These scales are reminiscent of the spine-like scales of *loysiana*. The two species are obviously closely related and are apparently sympatric in Camaguey and Oriente. On one occasion a specimen of *argillaceus* was captured in Camaguey on the same tree trunk that contained a specimen of *loysiana*. In Camaguey both species were always found in comparable ecological situations.

Anolis alutaceus Cope

Anolis alutaceus Cope, 1861, p. 212; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 153.

Anolis clivicolus Barbour and Shreve, 1935, p. 251.

Anolis alutaceus alutaceus: Barbour, 1937, p. 124.

Anolis alutaceus clivicolus: Barbour, 1937, p. 124.

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Head scales with longitudinal as well as transverse rugosities (Fig. 12); single row (a. alutaceus) or two rows (a. clivicolus) of scales between the supraorbital semicircles; supraorbitals separated from the supraorbital semicircle by a row of small scales. A wide middorsal zone of enlarged, keeled scales

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in longitudinal rows and having the posterior margins truncate (Fig. 13). Ventrals smooth. Limb scales multicarinate. Body laterally compressed and tail round in cross section.

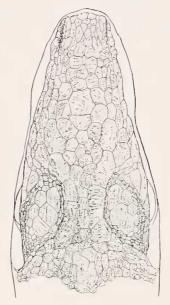


Figure 12. Head scales of A. alutaceus alutaceus.

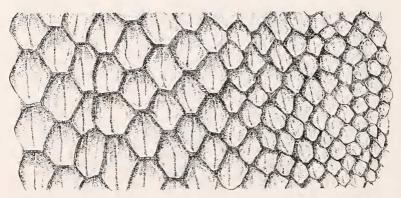


Figure 13. The dorsal and right lateral scales of *A. alutaceus clivicolus*. The dorsals are in longitudinal rows, have truncate posterior margins and are larger than the lateral scales.

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In *alutaccus* the general body color is light or dark brown with no particularly prominent pattern; tail with dark crossbars; dewlap large and yellow; iris bright blue; a white stripe from below the eye to the ear is usually prominent. No color data are available from living specimens of *a. clivicolus*. The pattern of preserved specimens appears to resemble *a. alutaccus* except that no prominent white stripe is evident below the eye. Maximum snout to vent length: *a. alutaccus*. δ , 36 mm.; *a. clivicolus*, δ , 45 mm.

Distribution. Islandwide and Isla de Pinos. The subspecies *a. clivicolus* is restricted to the higher elevations (4,000 feet) of the Sierra Maestra of Oriente.

Remarks. In 1937 Barbour made clivicolus a subspecies of alutaccus with the single comment that the two forms seemed to intergrade. The two forms can be distinguished by the characters cited above in the definition and also, and probably most readily, by the body proportions. In a. alutaccus the body is thin, the limbs very elongate, the tail remarkably thin, and the head long snouted. In contrast, specimens of a. clivicolus are larger, more robust, with a less obvious elongation of the appendages or head. In the series of specimens from the Sierra Maestra (M.C.Z.) all intermediate conditions between a. alutaceus and a. clivicolus are found. Actually a. clivicolus is the only known altitudinal race of lizards in Cuba. This is in contrast to the situation in Puerto Rico where a number of species are segregated by altitudinal difference in habitat (Rand, MS).

A. a. alutaceus is a common lizard in the broadleaf forests of lowland Oriente, and the rest of the island. It is characteristieally found on small tree trunks, stems, twigs, grass, and even rocks. The lizards are usually perched about a foot from the ground. In its movement it often progresses by leaping rather than climbing or running. Nothing is known of the ecology of *a. clivicolus*. Collette (1961) describes the ecology of *a. alutaceus* from Habana.

Williams (1961) discusses the evolutionary relationship of the Cuban "grass" anoles (*alutaccus, cyanoplcurus, and spectrum*) with the grass anoles of Hispaniola and Puerto Rico.

Anolis spectrum Peters

Anolis spectrum Peters, 1863, p. 136; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 149; Barbour, 1937, p. 124.

Type locality. Vicinity of Matanzas and Cardenas, Matanzas.

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Definition. Head scales with longitudinal striations; supraocular scales medially in direct contact with the supraocular semicircles (Fig. 14); occipitals, nuchals and dorsals confluent, showing no demarcation. A middorsal zone of enlarged scales; the dorsals are keeled and as wide as long and do not have a truneate posterior margin (Fig. 15). Laterals smaller, keeled, and imbricate. Ventrals in longitudinal rows that converge toward the midventral line. Limbs with multicarinate scales. Tail round in cross section.

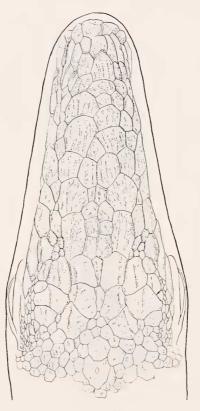


Figure 14. The head scales of A, spectrum. The supraocular scales are in direct contact with the supraorbital semicircles.

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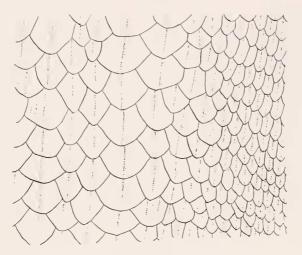


Figure 15. The dorsal and right lateral scales of *A. spectrum*. The lateral scales are imbricate and the dorsals are as wide as long and are not truncate.

In males, the middorsal area is a yellow-cream color, and the lateral surfaces mahogany (red-brown); venter reddish with a midventral streak; chin yellow. Dewlap yellow. In females the middorsal zone is reddish-brown, the lateral surfaces brown, and the venter reddish with a yellow midventral streak from throat to vent. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 36 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Currently known only from the Sierra de Trinidad in Las Villas. However, the type specimens collected by Gundlach were from Matanzas. The destruction of the forest in most of lowland central Cuba may have destroyed this species in all areas outside of the Sierra de Trinidad.

Remarks. This species is restricted to the broadleaf forests and is found on grass and twigs, along the paths in the forest floor and the dry stream beds. Gundlach recorded it in the forests in the vicinity of Matanzas and Cardenas. Dunn (1926) claimed *spectrum* was rarer in the lowland forests than in the mountain forests of the Sierra de Trinidad. Dunn claimed that in the mountains *spectrum* was as common as *alutaceus*. My collecting experiences in the Sierra de Trinidad confirm Dunn in that both species are equally abundant.

Schwartz and Ogren (1956) record *spectrum* from Santiago de Cuba. This is probably in error.

Anolis cyanopleurus Cope

Anolis (Dracontura) cyanopleurus Cope, 1861, p. 211.

Anolis cyanopleurus: Boulenger, 1885, p. 69; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 150; Barbour, 1937, p. 124.

Type locality. Cafetal Monte Verde, Sierra de Yateras, east of the Bahia de Guantanamo, Oriente.

Definition. Head scales with longitudinal striations (Fig. 16); supraoculars separated from the supraorbital semicircles by a row of small scales. A zone of enlarged, keeled scales in longitudinal rows and having a posterior margin truncate. Dorsals often multicarinate rather than with a single keel. Laterals small, not imbricate. Limb scales multicarinate. Ventrals keeled, the anterior ventrals in longitudinal and diagonal rows, the posterior scales in vague longitudinal or transverse rows. Tail laterally compressed.

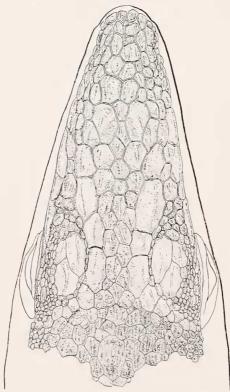


Figure 16. Head scales of A. cyanopleurus.

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Gundlach (1880) describes a living specimen from the Sierra Maestra as having a blue iris and a general body color of olivebrown. Barbour and Ramsden (1919) describe what may be a living specimen as having a russet dorsal zone and green lateral surfaces and a white belly. They describe the dewlap as ashengrey in color. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 39 mm. Females smaller.

Distribution. Apparently restricted to the mountainous areas of southern Oriente. However, Gundlach records obtaining it in the Sierra Maestra as well as near Cardenas in the province of Matanzas. Since Gundlach knew spectrum and alutaceus, it seems doubtful that he would confuse a specimen of one of these species with cyanopleurus. His description of the color of the Matanzas specimen also fits the Barbour and Ramsden description of cyanopleurus since Gundlach cites the animals as having greyish-green and bluish coloration — neither of these colors being found in alutaceus or spectrum. It is, therefore, very possible that the distribution of cyanopleurus is (or was) not limited to Oriente.

Remarks. Gundlach records this as a forest species. Alayo describes it as inhabiting grass. It would appear that *cyanopleurus* is ecologically an eastern equivalent of *spectrum* — a grass anole of the forest floor.

ANOLIS VERMICULATUS Duméril and Bibron

Anolis vermiculatus Duméril and Bibron, 1837, p. 128.

Deiroptyx vermiculatus: Fitzinger, 1843, p. 17; Barbour and Ramsden, 1919, p. 130; Barbour, 1937, p. 117.

Type locality. Restricted to Viñales, Pinar del Rio.

Definition. Two rows of scales between the supraocular semicircles; head scales keeled; suborbitals separated from the supralabials by a row of small scales (Fig. 17); frontal and canthal ridges; pineal in the center of a large light-colored scale. Dorsals keeled and smaller than the ventrals. Ventrals keeled and in diagonal and transverse rows. Digital pads narrow; tail laterally compressed; no dewlap; a transverse gular fold.

Adults variegated in olive green and bluish green. The gular fold is yellowish; iris, blue. The color data are from a living specimen described in detail by Gundlach (1880). Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 122 mm. Females smaller than the males.

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Distribution. Reported only from Pinar del Rio.

Remarks. This large lizard (it is exceeded in size only by A. equestris and C. chamaeleonides) has the distinction of being a truly aquatic species. Gundlach (op. cit.) describes it as inhabiting the trunks and branches of trees along the edges of streams and leaping into the water and hiding under rocks and roots at the bottom of the stream. Neill and Allen (1957) observed the species in its native habitat and described its vocal ability; it produces squeaks and mews. It is apparently an insectivorous species and feeds out of the water. A. vermiculatus, like the Central American Basiliscus, can also run on its hind legs on the surface of the water.

Most of the localities from which *vermiculatus* has been reported are from the western end of Pinar del Rio. However, Gundlach reports the species from near Taco-Taco which is in the eastern half of the province.

The specimen described by Barbour and Ramsden is an immature male (shout to vent, 70 mm.) and their color description does not fit that of Gundlach, nor the colors of the larger preserved specimens I have examined.

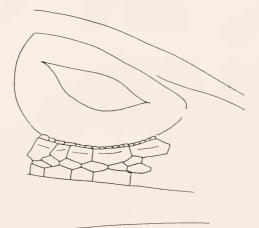


Figure 17. Suborbital scales of A. vermiculatus.

ANOLIS BARTSCHI (Cochran)

Deiroptyx bartschi Cochran, 1928, p. 169; Barbour, 1937, p. 118. Type locality. Baños de San Vicente, Pinar del Rio, Cuba. Definition. One row of scales between the supraocular semicircles; scales of the snout smooth; suborbitals in contact with supralabials (Fig. 18). Dorsals and ventrals smooth, and the ventrals in transverse and diagonal rows. Digital pad large and dilated. Tail round in cross section. Ear opening very large, the extracolumella visible. No dewlap. A transverse gular fold.

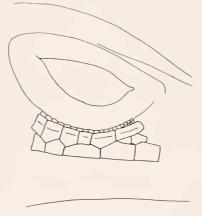


Figure 18. Suborbital scales of A. bartschi.

Cochran describes the male type as having yellow vertical wavy stripes edged with black on the sides and a green dorsum, the venter straw yellow and the gular fold deeper yellow. Maximum snout to vent length, δ , 76 mm. Females smaller than the males.

Distribution. Known only from the western half of Pinar del Rio.

Remarks. This species though originally placed in the genus *Deiroptyx*, (together with *vermiculatus*) does not resemble *vermiculatus* in any character except the presence of a transverse gular fold rather than a dewlap. In many of its external characters, as well as ecology, *bartschi* resembles *lucius* more than any of the other anoline species. *A. bartschi* is not aquatic, but is instead found on the walls of limestone caves and cliffs (Cochran, 1928).

KEY TO THE CUBAN SPECIES OF ANOLINE LIZARDS

1.	A middorsal crest of compressed triangular vertical scales.	2
	No middorsal crest	3

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2.	Row of enlarged triangular scales from mental to anterior border of dewlap (Fig. 1); greyish body color, never green; large head casque
	overlapping neck in adults
	No row of enlarged triangular scales on throat; green or brown in color,
	never grey; head easque not overlapping the neck
	Anolis equestris p. 482
3.	Transparent scales on lower eyelid
J.	No transparent scales on lower eyelid
4.	Usually three transparent scales on the lower eyelid; light stripe along
	upper labials, below eye, and running diagonally through dorsal mar-
	gin of ear opening to the middorsal line, another light stripe from
	ventral margin of ear opening to middorsal line; yellow at base of
	dewlap, maximum snout-vent length = 70 mm . A. lucius p. 500
	Usually two transparent scales on the lower eyelid; head stripes never
	as above; brown or grey at base of dewlap; maximum snout-vent
	length = 50 mm $\dots A$, argenteolus p. 502
5.	Three to four transversely enlarged supraoculars (Fig. 11); the supra-
	orbital semicircles in broad contact medially (Fig. 9); ventrals
	smooth; head seales smooth
	Supraoculars not transversely enlarged; the supraorbital semicircles
	not in broad contact medially; ventrals smooth or keeled; head seales
	smooth, keeled, or rugose
6.	Many enlarged spine-like scales on the body and limbs; body dorso-
	ventrally compressed A. loysiana p. 503
	No enlarged spine-like scales on the body and limbs; body laterally
	compressed
7.	Supraocular scales medially in direct contact with the supraorbital semi-
	circles (Fig. 14); dorsals as wide as long; lateral body scales keeled
	and imbricate (Fig. 15); occipitals, nuchals, and dorsals confluent,
	showing no demarcation
	Not as above
8.	A wide middorsal zone of enlarged, keeled, scales having the posterior
	margin truncate (Fig. 13); scales of the middorsal zone in longi-
	tudinal rows and larger than the lateral scales; dorsal head scales
	are striated
	No middorsal zone of enlarged, truncate scales; if middorsal scales are
	enlarged they are keeled, pointed and imbricate; head seales keeled,
	rugose or striated
9.	Ventrals keeled; head scales with longitudinal striations (Fig. 16);
	middorsal zone of enlarged scales evident on the nape; tail laterally
	compressed
	Ventrals smooth; head scales striated, the scales of the snort with trans-
	verse as well as longitudinal rugosities (Fig. 12); tail round in cross
10	section
10.	A transverse gular fold; no dewlap
	No transverse gular fold; males with a dewlap; some females with a small dewlap

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11.	Tail laterally compressed; suborbital scales separated from supralabials by a row of small scales (Fig. 17); digital pad narrow
	Tail round in cross section; suborbital scales in contact with supra-
	labials (Fig. 18); digital pad large and dilated — A, bartschip, 512
12.	Ventral scales in regular transverse rows; tail round in cross section 13
	Ventral scales not in transverse rows; in diagonal and/or longitudinal
	rows; tail laterally compressed
13.	More than five scales bordering the rostral posteriorly; the anteriormost
	sublabials longer than wide; never green in color
	Five scales bordering the rostral posteriorly (Fig. 2); anteriormost
	sublabials wider than long; color sometimes green 14
14.	Dorsal surface of head flat; dorsal head scales flat and pavement-like
	with longitudinal striations (Fig. 5); smaller, maximum snout-vent
	length = 40 mm
	Dorsal surface of head not flat, males with well developed frontal ridges, females and young with evidence of a frontal depression;
	dorsal head scales rugose, keeled, or striated; larger, maximum snout-
	vent length $= 75 \text{ mm}$
15.	Ear opening circular; males with frontal ridges higher than the canthal
	ridges (Fig. 3) A. porcatus p. 484
	Ear opening with an elongate depressed posterior margin; canthal
	ridges higher than the frontal ridges (Fig. 4)
16.	Ventrals keeled and with pointed posterior margins
	Ventrals smooth and with rounded posterior margins
17.	A conspicuous zone of enlarged, keeled, pointed scales in longitudinal
	rows; five longitudinal light stripes on body; a single very elongate
	suborbital scale
	No conspicuous middorsal zone of enlarged scales; no longitudinal light
18.	stripes on the body; several short suborbital scales A. sagrei p. 490 Supraocular and brachial scales smooth and the gulars bordering the
10.	mental along a transverse suture; dewlap brown A, imias p. 499
	Not as above
19.	Supracarpal and supradigital scales multicarinate; gulars bordering the
	mental along a transverse suture (Fig. 7b); two scales separating
	the supraorbital semicircles
	Supracarpal and supradigital scales smooth, or with some scales having
	one or two keels; a few small postmental scales separating the pos-
	terior medial margins of the mentals (Fig. 7a); a single scale sepa-
	rating the supraorbital semicircles
20,	Body color greyish; dewlap with 4 or 5 stripes of red on a bright yellow
	background, the edges of the dewlap white
21.	Body color not greyish; dewlap not as above 21
ы. Т.	Dewlap with a yellowish or tan background color and with 2 or 3 reddish or orange bars; body color reddish-brown
	or orange bars, body color readistronown

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